



Senate

General Assembly

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Senate Resolution No. 32

Senate, April 24, 2006

The Senate Committee on Judiciary reported through SEN. MCDONALD of the 27th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the resolution ought to be adopted.

***RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN
LORENZO FOREMAN, ET AL. V. STATE OF CONNECTICUT, ET AL.***

Resolved by the Senate:

- 1 That the provision of the settlement agreement in the action Lorenzo
- 2 Foreman, et al. v. State of Connecticut, et al., United States District
- 3 Court, District of Connecticut, Civil Action No. 3:01CV0061 (WIG),
- 4 requiring an expenditure from the General Fund budget in excess of
- 5 two million five hundred thousand dollars and submitted by the
- 6 Attorney General to this Assembly for approval in accordance with
- 7 section 3-125a of the general statutes, is approved.

JUD *Senate Favorable*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: See Below

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The resolution accepts the settlement agreement, which establishes a \$2.5 million common fund to pay for any claims that qualify under the terms of the agreement, administrative costs and other associated expenses including the plaintiffs' attorney's fees. Resources for the fund would be allocated from the non-appropriated Adjudicated Claims account, which is within the Office of the State Comptroller for administrative purposes. It is anticipated that most of these funds would be spent in FY 07. Any unspent funds would be returned to the state under the terms of the settlement agreement. Court-ordered child support and any other state liens would be deducted from payments to claimants and thereby increase the likelihood that funds would go unspent. The net state cost of the settlement could be less than \$2.5 million as a result of these provisions in the agreement.

The Out Years

State Impact: There is no fiscal impact in the out years since the implementation of the settlement agreement resolves the matter.

Municipal Impact: None

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze resolutions.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Judiciary Committee

Senate Favorable

Yea 5 Nay 2 (04/17/2006)